

BENCH-BAR COALITION (BBC)

**Quarterly Membership Conference Call: Monday, October 22, 2007
4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

AGENDA

I. Welcome/Introductions (5 minutes)

Joel Miliband and Ruthe Ashley, BBC Cochairs

II. Update from Judicial Council/Discussion of Council Legislative Priorities (15 minutes)

William C. Vickrey, Administrative Director of the Courts, Ronald G. Overholt, Chief Deputy Director, AOC, and Donna Hershkowitz, Acting Director, AOC Office of Governmental Affairs

- Judicial Council-sponsored legislation and priorities:
 1. Governor's actions on judicial branch legislation
 2. 2008 Judicial Council-sponsored legislation and branch priorities

III. Bench-Bar Coalition Activities (15 minutes)

BBC Leadership and Members

- Debriefing of September 28 meeting at 2007 Bench Bar Biannual Conference:
Opening Remarks by Chief Justice Ronald M. George
- Subcommittee Report: Day on the Bench Best Practices Development
- Subcommittee Report: BBC Small Bar Outreach: **Next conference call: Wednesday, October 24, 2007, 12:30 p.m.**

IV. New Business (10 minutes)

BBC Leadership

- Local efforts by bench and bar groups on diversity issues

v. Legal Community Updates: (10 minutes)

State Bar of California

Jeff Bleich, President and Judy Johnson, Executive Director

Legal Services and the California Commission on Access to Justice

Hon. Steven Austin, Cochair, Commission on Access to Justice, Kathryn Eppright, Cochair, Commission on Access to Justice, and Ken Babcock, Executive Committee, Commission on Access to Justice

Update from California Judges Association

Hon. Ira Kaufman, President, California Judges Association

Update on American Bar Association

Jud Scott, ACBA Delegate to the ABA House of Delegates and California Bench-Bar Coalition Liaison to the ABA

VI. Calendar Review and Adjournment (5 minutes)

- Next BBC Quarterly Conference Call: **Monday, January 14, 2008, 4:00–5:00 p.m.**
- Beyond the Bench XVIII Conference, **December 12-14, 2007**, Sheraton San Diego Hotel & Marina, San Diego, CA